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SUBJECT: Report on the Electronic Waste Recycling Fund Revenue and Expenses

In accordance with Sections 17303(9) and 17317(9) of Part 173, Electronics, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, attached is the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy's (EGLE) report on the Electronic Waste Recycling Fund for fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

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## Legislative Report

# Electronic Waste Recycling Fund Revenue and Expenses

Report Period:  
Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019

Authority:  
MCL 324.17303(9) and 324.17317(9)

The Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) submits this report in accordance with Sections 17303(9) and 17317(9) of Part 173, Electronics, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended. Part 173 requires a biennial report that assesses the adequacy of the fees collected from manufacturers and recyclers of covered electronic devices and makes recommendations regarding modification of those fees. Part 173 was signed into law in December 2008, and annual registrations were first required in October 2009.

### Electronic Waste Recycling Fund (Fund) Revenues and Expenses

The Electronic Waste Takeback Program revenue is received from the annual registrations paid by computer, printer, and television manufacturers and recyclers. Manufacturers must pay \$3,000 per year, and electronics recyclers must pay \$2,000 per year. Program expenses include the costs associated with administering the law.

Electronic Waste Recycling Fund Summary		
	FY 2018	FY 2019
Beginning Fund Balance	\$385,146	\$400,724
Fund Revenue	\$283,577	\$257,500 (Projected)
Year-End Fund Balance on Sept. 30	\$400,724	\$305,500 (Projected)

Program Registrations			
	FY 2018	FY 2019	Annual Fee
Manufacturer Registrations	71	73	\$3,000
Recycler Registrations	25	25	\$2,000

The annual revenue received by the Fund meets the projections outlined during the inception of Part 173 and its funding mechanism. The Fund is not taking in more revenue than anticipated; therefore, the Fund will not exceed \$600,000 on December 31 of any year, as limited by Section 17303(6) of Part 173.

### **Fund Adequacy**

The Fund continues to be adequate for administering the current program, which has a primary focus on community assistance, education and outreach, and compliance assistance. The program staff includes one full-time professional and administrative support. The focus of staff is supporting local communities, providing assistance and education for collectors of electronics regulated under Part 173 and inspection of electronics recyclers.

### **Recommendation for Fee Modification**

EGLE completed a stakeholder process in 2016 and continues to gather recommendations from stakeholders about improving the effectiveness of the program. At this time, program fees are adequate to fund the ongoing program.

For additional information on Michigan's Electronic Waste Takeback Law, Part 173, please visit [Michigan.gov/EgleEwaste](http://Michigan.gov/EgleEwaste).